

# HB5572



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB5572

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2605/2605-51 new

Amends the Department of State Police Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Creates the Sex Offenses and Sex Offender Registration Task Force to ensure that law enforcement and communities are able to identify and monitor high-risk sex offenders. The Task Force will hold public hearings to receive input from the public and give recommendations to the General Assembly to effectively classify sex offenders based on individual risk to public safety. The Task Force will present their findings in a written report on or before January 1, 2018.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of State Police Law of the Civil  
5 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section  
6 2605-51 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2605/2605-51 new)

8 Sec. 2605-51. Sex Offenses and Sex Offender Registration  
9 Task Force.

10 (a) The General Assembly acknowledges that numerous  
11 criminal offenses that are categorized as sex offenses are  
12 serious crimes that affect some of the most vulnerable victims.

13 (1) The Sex Offender Database was created as a  
14 statewide database for the purpose of making information  
15 regarding sex offenders publicly available so that victims  
16 may be aware of released offenders and law enforcement may  
17 have a tool to identify potential perpetrators of current  
18 offenses. In addition to the Registry, sex offenders may be  
19 subject to specific conditions and prohibitions for a  
20 period after the person's release from imprisonment that  
21 restricts where the person may reside, travel, and work.

22 (2) The General Assembly recognizes that the current  
23 Sex Offender Database and sex offender restrictions do not

1 assess or differentiate based upon the specific risks of  
2 each offender, potential threat to public safety, or an  
3 offender's likelihood of reoffending.

4 (3) The General Assembly believes that a Task Force  
5 should be created to ensure that law enforcement and  
6 communities are able to identify high-risk sex offenders  
7 and focus on monitoring those offenders to protect victims,  
8 improve public safety, and maintain the seriousness of each  
9 offense.

10 (b) Sex Offenses and Sex Offender Registration Task Force.

11 (1) The Sex Offenses and Sex Offender Registration Task  
12 Force is created to examine current offenses that require  
13 offenders to register as sex offenders, conditions and  
14 restrictions for registered sex offenders, and the  
15 registration process.

16 (2) The Task Force shall hold public hearings at the  
17 call of the co-chairpersons to receive testimony from the  
18 public and make recommendations to the General Assembly  
19 regarding legislative changes to more effectively classify  
20 sex offenders based on their level of risk of re-offending,  
21 better direct resources to monitor the most violent and  
22 high risk offenders, and to ensure public safety.

23 (3) The Task Force shall be an independent Task Force  
24 under the Department of State Police for administrative  
25 purposes, and shall consist of the following members:

26 (A) the Director of Corrections, or his or her

1 designee;

2 (B) 2 members of the House of Representatives  
3 appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
4 Representatives, one of whom shall serve as  
5 co-chairperson;

6 (C) 2 members of the Senate appointed by the  
7 President of the Senate, one of whom shall serve as a  
8 co-chairperson;

9 (D) a member of the Senate appointed by the  
10 Minority Leader of the Senate;

11 (E) a member of the House of Representatives  
12 appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of  
13 Representatives;

14 (F) the Director of State Police, or his or her  
15 designee;

16 (G) the Superintendent of the Chicago Police  
17 Department, or his or her designee;

18 (H) the Chairperson of the Juvenile Justice  
19 Commission, or his or her designee;

20 (I) a representative of a statewide organization  
21 against sexual assault, appointed by the Director of  
22 State Police;

23 (J) a representative of a statewide organization  
24 representing probation and court services agencies in  
25 Illinois, appointed by the Director of State Police;  
26 and

1           (K) a representative of a statewide organization  
2           representing Illinois sheriffs, appointed by the  
3           Director of State Police;

4           (L) a representative of a statewide organization  
5           representing Illinois police chiefs, appointed by the  
6           Director of State Police;

7           (M) 2 State's Attorneys to be appointed by the  
8           members of the Task Force; and

9           (N) 2 sex offender treatment providers, appointed  
10          by the Director of State Police.

11          (c) The Task Force shall submit a written report of its  
12          findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or  
13          before January 1, 2018.

14          (d) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2019.